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BUDGET ALLOCATION
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is experiencing uneven utilization of Budgetary allocation ;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the year 2004-05 and 2005-06 ;

(c) the causes for such an uneven utilization of Budgetary allocation ;

(d) whether there are proposals to issue instruc tions to ait concerned agencies responsible for implementation of schemes to prepare a time bound programme for their implementation so that the expenditure should be uniform in,ail quarters; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) and (b) Yes, the pace of expenditure is not uniform throughout the year. Month-wise expenditure(Plan and non-Plan) during 2004-05, and 2005-06 are given in enclosed statement.

(c) Some expenditures have in-built element of seasonality like expenditure on construction work and job guarantee. Other factors leading to uneven flow include implementation delays in various schemes/projects by various implementing agencies. Debt servicing is normally at pre-determined dates.Besides,some very large payments may be spread out in line with seasonal pattern in revenue collection.

(d) and (e) It is a continuous effort of the Government to match the flow of expenditure with flow of revenues and planned market borrowings, as far as practicable.